

Senate Bill No. 629

CHAPTER 62

An act to amend Section 13 of the County Water Authority Act (Chapter 545 of the Statutes of 1943), relating to county water authorities.

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LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 629, Kelley. County water authorities.

Existing law provides for the formation of county water authorities and grants specified powers to those entities, including the authority to provide, by resolution or ordinance, for all matters that are necessary for the proper administration of those authorities. Existing law authorizes the legislative body of a local public agency, by ordinance, to make any violation of an ordinance enacted by the agency subject to an administrative fine or penalty, as prescribed.

This bill would authorize the board of directors of an authority to adopt regulations regarding its facilities, property, and rights-of-way. The bill would authorize the board of directors, by ordinance, to make a violation of those regulations subject to an administrative fine, as specified. The bill would require the board of directors to set forth, by ordinance or resolution, the administrative procedures that govern the imposition, enforcement, collection, and administrative review by the authority of those administrative fines in accordance with specified provisions of law, except as otherwise specified.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 13 of the County Water Authority Act (Chapter 545 of the Statutes of 1943) is amended to read:

Sec. 13. (a) All matters and things necessary for the proper administration of the affairs of the authority that are not provided for in this act shall be provided for by the board of directors of the authority by ordinance or resolution. Any action required by this act to be done by resolution may be done, with equal validity, by ordinance.

(b) (1) The board of directors of the authority may adopt regulations regarding its facilities, property, and rights-of-way. The board of directors, by ordinance, may make a violation of any regulation adopted pursuant to this subdivision subject to an administrative fine.

(2) The board of directors shall set forth, by ordinance or resolution, the administrative procedures that govern the imposition, enforcement, collection, and administrative review by the authority of those administrative fines.

(3) The amount of the administrative fine shall not exceed the maximum fine for infractions set forth in subdivision (b) of Section 25132 and subdivision (b) of Section 36900 of the Government Code. For the purpose of carrying out this subdivision, Section 53069.4 of the Government Code shall apply, except that any action required by that section to be taken by ordinance may be taken by resolution of the board of directors.

